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6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
7 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
8 AT SEATTLE

9 NAVIGATORS SPECIALTY
10 INSURANCE COMPANY,

11 Plaintiff,

12 v.

13 GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT, LLC, *et al.*,

14 Defendants.

Case No. C11-1269RSL

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

15 This matter comes before the Court *sua sponte*. On August 2, 2011, plaintiff filed
16 its complaint with this Court alleging that the Court has jurisdiction based on the diversity
17 of citizenship of the parties. See 28 U.S.C. § 1332(a) (establishing that the federal court's
18 basic diversity jurisdiction extends to "all civil actions where the matter in controversy
19 exceeds . . . \$75,000 . . . and is between . . . citizens of different States."). "For a case to
20 qualify for federal jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1332(a), there must be complete
21 diversity of citizenship between the parties opposed in interest." Kuntz v. Lamar Corp.,
22 385 F.3d 1177, 1181 (9th Cir. 2004) (internal citation omitted). In examining whether
23 complete diversity is present, the citizenship of a limited liability company is determined
24 by examining the citizenship of the owners/members. See Johnson v. Columbia Props.

1 Anchorage, LP, 437 F.3d 894, 899 (9th Cir. 2006) (holding that “like a partnership, an
2 LLC is a citizen of every state of which its owners/members are citizens.”).

3 In its complaint, however, plaintiff failed to allege the citizenship of each
4 owner/member of the many LLC defendants. Therefore, plaintiff has failed to meet its
5 burden to establish the basis of the Court’s jurisdiction. See Indus. Tectonics, Inc. v.
6 Aero Alloy, 912 F.2d 1090, 1092 (9th Cir. 1990) (“The party asserting jurisdiction has the
7 burden of proving all jurisdictional facts”); Fed R. Civ. P. 12(h)(3) (“If the Court
8 determines at any time that it lacks subject-matter jurisdiction, the court must dismiss the
9 action”). As a result, plaintiff is ORDERED TO SHOW CAUSE why the Court should
10 not dismiss this action for lack of subject matter jurisdiction under Fed. R. Civ. P.
11 12(h)(3) by providing the Court with the citizenship of all of the owners/members of the
12 LLC defendants at the time the complaint was filed by August 26, 2011. The Clerk of the
13 Court is directed to place this order to show cause on the Court’s calendar for August 26,
14 2011.

15 DATED this 4th day of August, 2011.

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19 Robert S. Lasnik
20 United States District Judge
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